HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ___

Introduced by: Summers

A RESOLUTION recognizing the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People chapter at Indiana State University.

Whereas, The student chapter of Indiana State University's National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was awarded three national honors at the 99th Annual NAACP National Convention;

Whereas, The Indiana State chapter was named runner-up for the College Chapter of the Year award, second only to Spelman College in Atlanta;

Whereas, One student, Ebony Roberts, a sophomore

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political science major from Fishers, returned to campus with two national awards, the Gloster B. Current Award and the Medgar Evers Youth Leadership Award;

Whereas, The Gloster B. Current Award recognizes outstanding NAACP youth members that personify the dedication, commitment, and leadership of Gloster B. Current, former NAACP Director of Branch & Field Services, and the Medgar Evers Youth Leadership Award is dedicated to Medgar Evers, the first NAACP Field Director for Mississippi, who was dedicated to the fight for freedom and equality and who, on June 12, 1963, was killed by an assassin's bullet in the driveway of his home;

Whereas, NAACP chapters are chosen for national awards based on their work done throughout the year;

Whereas, The Indiana State chapter sponsored three events last year: "Bury the Hate Words," to help eliminate the use of discriminating words, the Black Leadership Conference, designed to engage students from throughout the Midwest in leadership development through academic and professional success, and "Tunnel of Oppression," an artistic exhibit that demonstrated various issues people deal with involving violence, racism, homophobia, health issues, and body image;

Whereas, The Indiana State chapter has also worked to increase voter registration and hate crimes awareness on campus; and

Whereas, The NAACP, the nation's oldest civil rights organization, has been in existence for nearly a century, and its members work tirelessly to assure justice and equality for all: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
congratulates the Indiana State University chapter of the NAACP for
the national recognition received at the 99th Annual NAACP National
Convention and thanks them for their dedicated effort to improving
civil rights throughout our state and our nation.

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SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to chapter officers and Valerie Hart-Craig, advisor to the chapter.

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